

REMARKS

Claims 2, 6, 7 and 9 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112 as lacking antecedent basis. Claims 2, 6, 7 and 9 have been amended to address the rejection.

Claims 1-2 and 6-7 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) as being anticipated by Madour et al. (US 6,912,214). Applicants respectfully disagree. A claim is anticipated only if each and every element as set forth in the claim is found, either expressly or inherently described, in a single prior art reference. See MPEP § 2131.

Claim 1 recites a method of supporting reactivation of a dormant packet data session comprising "receiving stored service configuration information from a packet control function" and "reactivating the dormant packet data session using the stored service configuration information ."

Madour does not teach the limitation of receiving stored service configuration information from a packet control function. Page 3 of the office action states that the BSC sends an A9-Update-A8 message to the PCF containing an identifier of the MS (MSID) and the UpdateReason parameter set to "MS Power Down." The office action further states that the PCF uses the MSID to find the corresponding A10 connection and starts releasing the A10 connection by sending an A11-Registration Request message with lifetime set to 0 to the PDSN. The office action equates the PDSN receiving the A11-Registration Request message with lifetime set to 0 to Applicant's claim 1 limitation of "receiving stored service configuration information from a packet control function." Applicant respectfully disagrees. As commonly known in the art, service configuration information contains radio information negotiated and/or exchanged between a mobile station and a base station. Lifetime is not configuration information but rather an indicator that an A10 connection between the PDSN and PCF should be released.

Madour also does not teach the limitation of "reactivating the dormant packet data session using the stored service configuration information." Page 4 of the Office Action references step 28, FIG. 2 of Madour as disclosing that the

PCF returns an A9-Update-A8 Acknowledgment message back to the BSC and appears to equate this to "reactivating the dormant packet data session using the stored service configuration information" by parenthetical comment "dormant packet-data session is reactivated by reallocating a traffic channel so that the data can be transferred." As an initial matter, the parenthetical statement does not state that the dormant packet data session is reactivated using *stored service configuration information* as recited in claim 1, but rather just that a dormant packet data session is reactivated. Further, the A9-Update-A8 Acknowledgement message is not for reactivation of a dormant packet data session. It is an acknowledgement of receipt of the A9-Update-A8 Ack.

Claims 3-4, 8, 10 and 11 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) as being unpatentable over Madour et al. in view of Ho et al. (US 2003/0143989). Applicant respectfully disagrees. For the reasons set forth above, Madour does not teach the claim 8 limitation of "receiving a request for stored service configuration information from a base station . . ." Madour teaches release of a hanging packet data connection when a mobile station powers down while involved in a dormant packet data session. The mobile station's service configuration information is not needed for the process of releasing the hanging packet data connection. Thus, no element in the Madour system receives a request for stored service configuration and neither Madour nor Ho, alone or in combination, teaches all of the elements of claim 8.

In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicants submit that claims 1 and 8 are in condition for allowance. Applicants further submit that claims 2-7 and 9-11 are allowable by virtue of their dependency on claims 1 and 8 respectively. Applicants request the reconsideration and reexamination of this application and

the timely allowance of the pending claims. Please charge any fees associated herewith, including extension of time fees, to 50-2117.

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